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Thursday, January 31 2008



by Jo Ann Derson

What's on sale in February? Get great deals on electronics -- including computers--and mattresses, carpet/tile/laminates and other flooring, used cars, catalog closeouts and exercise equipment. Also, look for gift add-ons with perfume purchases and after-holiday deals on

candy and red items (think ahead for Canada Day and Christmas tableware!).

If you have an ink stain on fabric, try blotting it with hairspray. Use a clean white cloth or paper towel, saturate the ink spot with hairspray and blot. Repeat until ink is gone. Make sure you test on an inconspicuous area first.

Are your artificial flowers dusty? Here are a couple of ways to clean up those blossoms: Place the flowers

in a paper bag with some salt, maybe a half-cup or so. Shake until clean. Or, try blowing them off with a hair dryer.

"If you have trouble pulling out a splinter with tweezers, as I do, try using regular household glue -- a dab on the spot, let dry and pull off -- or a bit of Scotch Tape. These seem to work for me, and it's easier than trying to manipulate a tiny pair of tweezers." -- I.F. in California

Mrs. B of Kansas would like to suggest a tip regarding "people first" language when it comes to describing those of us who have a disability. As an example, she writes: "I am a parent of a child who was born with Down syndrome, and I find myself educating others so they refrain from saying 'Downs child' or 'Down syndrome child.'" Thanks for the reminder, Mrs. B. Our language should always be empowering.

Recipe Substitutions: If you need ketchup, mix together 1 cup of tomato sauce, 1/2 cup of sugar and 2 tablespoons of vinegar.

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Little Kennisis - \$419,000



Beautiful lot with NW exposure, sunsets, granite shoreline, deep water, great swimming. 3 bedrooms, 3pc bath, deo/porch, combo living room/dining. Guest cabin. Water could be put in for winter use. Lot size 176.17 per registered plan of subdivision. New driveway will be included.

Gloria Carnochan or Cindy Muenzel *

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Patti & Hal Johnson **

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Marcia Prenger *

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Lorri Roberts *

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David Lee *

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Debbie Cumber

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Barry Warren *

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Chris & Michelle Smolatz *

Percy Lake - \$729,900



1.8 acre point lot and cottage with 810' frontage on Percy Lake. Deep rocky shoreline and sandy frontage. 3 bdr open concept 1200 sq.ft. cottage with a unique fireplace and cedar siding. Bunkie, dry boathouse & private boatlaunch. Big lakeviews.

Chris & Michelle Smolatz *

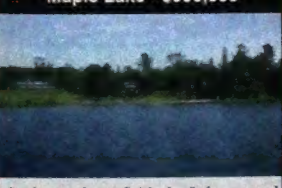
Bob Lake - \$159,000



Private waterfront lot. Spectacular view. Driveway in with building site cleared and hydro service on pole. Lot has 140 feet of west facing frontage with over 7 acres to secure privacy. Stairs from upper deck down to deck at water's edge. Bob Lake is over 200' deep with great fishing

Tom Gardner *

Maple Lake - \$999,999



Lochaven Inn of Maple Lake - sand shoreline. Main lodge 5640 sq ft w/4 guest rooms, stainless steel kitchen, large dining area w/hardwood floors, oak bar, stone fireplace, games room & foyer. Renovated 2400 sq ft Coach House has 7 units-3 w/fireplaces, plus 4 cabins w/fireplaces(3@16x20, 1@20x24). Large solid barn ideal for storage (40x24) and a sauna/hot tub building.

Anthony vanLieshout ***

Built in 2005 - \$279,900



Maple & ceramic floors, cathedral ceilings, custom windows, main floor laundry, kitchen has antique washed maple cupboards w/ breakfast bar, oversized master bedroom w/ separate ensuite with Jacuzzi tub & walk-in shower. 26 X 30 insulated garage and 16 X 32 above ground pool.

Cathy Bain *

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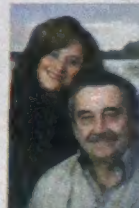


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Silver Beach: Lovely lake views and contemporary architecture

Terrance Gavan
Staff Reporter

Local Development Featured in National Post

Developer Gerry Kowalski's Silver Beach development has been the target of some very complimentary national press coverage.

The Silver Beach Lifestyle Community was featured in a National Post article on January 19.

The development located on the shores of Lake Kashagawigamog will eventually encompass a 59-unit, 18-acre development.

For Kowalski, the development is the culmination of a dream hatched many years ago when he and his family first settled in to summer residence at the Silver Beach Trailer Resort.

"I've had a long-time vision," says Kowalski. "I first came with my wife and kids 15 years ago and we had a trailer on Silver Beach. I said to myself back then that this would be a perfect spot for a communal area. Even back then I

knew there was something special about the place and I was already thinking... lifestyle community."

So four years ago when the trailer park went on the market he and partner (and long time friend) Ben Kopolovic jumped at the opportunity to buy.

Now, over four years into the project, the Trailer Park and Campgrounds have been closed and the site is a burgeoning bee-hive of activity.

The model home is now available for viewing and can be seen on their website located at www.silverbeachdevelopments.com by clicking on the model home link.

The model home and its stunning view coupled with the tasteful décor was the subject of the National Post article.

"Decorators Lori Garvin and Chris Middlehurst, of *Inside Decorating* in Beeton, kept the focus on the vistas --and on the home's contemporary architecture -- by creating a neutral look free of window coverings to keep the eyes directed out and the light flowing in," writes National Post journalist Lisa van De Ven.

Garvin explains that the decorators were looking at an interior design that would dovetail with both exterior vistas and the community's lifestyle themes.

"When people walked in, I wanted them to see the architecture, I wanted them to see the outdoors," Ms. Garvin says, in the Post report. "So we went with very neutral furnishings."

"The overall feel is very inviting," says Ms. Garvin. "You walk in and you just feel like 'I'm at home.' A Home away from home on the weekends. Your summer retreat."

And of course that also merges nicely with *Ben and Gerry's* overall strategy.

"We've taken inspiration from the setting with the rock formations, ponds, trails and panoramic vistas," explains Kopolovic.

"We fell in love with the natural habitat and want the development to complement the area."

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Cycling Coalition needs your input

The Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition is in the process of completing a Master Plan for Cycling in Haliburton County – and is looking for input from the community. A series of open houses are planned to ensure that we can receive input from citizens representing all areas of Haliburton County.

The purpose of the Cycling Master Plan is to:
Provide a framework for integrating bicycling into transportation planning in Haliburton County and Develop a strategy to promote and encourage more cycling
At the Open House you can: Learn about the information gathered to date; Learn about the Vision, Goals and Objectives of the Master Plan for Cycling; View the potential cycling routes network throughout Haliburton County – and provide comments and/or suggestions on additional routes; Identify cycling “hot spots” and/or places of concern; Speak to members of the coalition and Master Plan Task Force and ask questions; Complete a cycling survey; Purchase a Cycling Routes map; and Provide your input to help direct the end result of the Master Plan for Cycling.
Cycling is an important part of an active and healthy community as well as an important draw for tourism. Haliburton County has great assets for cycling including an extensive and varied road network, clean air, beautiful scenery, interesting destinations and in many cases low vehicle traffic volume. The Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition (HHCC) was formed in 2005 with a vision that Haliburton County provides and promotes safe and enjoyable cycling for all ages.

The coalition invites all residents to provide input. If you are not an active cyclist, it is still important to attend! The coalition would like to know what barriers you face that prohibit cycling and what would assist you in cycling more.

- The dates and times are as follows:
- Monday, February 4.
11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Haliburton Legion Schofield Room,
Haliburton.

Thursday February 7
11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm.
Firefighters Hall - Stanhope.

Tuesday February 12
11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Lloyd - Watson Community Centre,
Wilberforce.

Thursday February 14
11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm.
Pritchard House, Minden.

Saturday February 16
11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Dorset Recreation Centre.
- For questions or for more information, please contact Sue Shikaze or Angela VanBerlo at (705) 457-1391.
For more information about the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition, visit www.cyclehaliburton.ca

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by Linda Thistle

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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Lady's hat is different 2. Boy is smiling. 3. House window is different 4. Stone wall has become a fence. 5. Mom's collar is different 6. Mom's nose is changed.

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Uranium Mine? One Hot Question.

The Loop Road area is known worldwide for its wealth of minerals. For decades, amateur "rock hounds" have been scouring the area for rare and valuable samples, but in recent months a different kind of collector has shown interest in the area – one looking for uranium, the radioactive mineral used to fuel nuclear power plants. The re-opening of abandoned uranium mines in north eastern Haliburton County may be the most important local issue in 50 years. Will the new mining operations be an economic shot in the arm or a health and environmental disaster?

Uranium was first discovered in the area in 1952 and over the next 25 years 6.75 million tons of radioactive ore were mined. Then, the price of uranium plummeted and, as quickly as the mines had been opened, they were abandoned. However, in recent months the price of uranium has soared to \$135.00 per pound and two major players, Bancroft Uranium Project and CanAm Uranium Corp., have made tentative steps toward reopening old mines. Both companies are American owned and neither one has any staff available to answer questions by phone. One thing is clear, however, this is big business. According to the CanAm Website, "CanAm Uranium has an option on a major landholding in the Bancroft region, with its option on 8 uranium properties, on which it may earn 80% interest. The properties in total are comprised of 37 mineral claims containing 247 claim units, and the claims cover a total of approximately 9,765 acres (3,952 hectares)". Almost 20% of Monmouth has been surveyed and staked by CanAm and its competitor Bancroft Uranium Project. Most landowners have surface mineral rights only; should a mining company find minerals below the surface, these companies developers have the right to mine private property.

Supporters of the mines claim that the operation may bring hundreds of jobs to the area. Environmentalists counter that uranium mining is simply too dangerous. The main danger of uranium lies in radon gas, a by-product of the decomposition of uranium ore. Whenever uranium is mined, radon gas is given off from the tailings, or mine waste for over 100,000 years. Radon gas has been linked to lung cancer and medical specialists feel that exposure to radon gas can cause a 40 to 50% increase in the disease. In addition, uranium is water soluble and lakes, rivers and underwater aquifers must be carefully protected around mines. CanAm Corp. plans to open pit mines in the Bancroft area. Pit mines have been known to cause water pollution since the pits must be constantly pumped out while the mine is in operation. When uranium pit mines are abandoned, they fill up with a toxic soup unless carefully controlled.

Bancroft Uranium Project recently secured \$3 million in financing for the development of their Monmouth Uranium Project. Drilling was scheduled to begin this January. CanAm Corp. has already completed 9 four hundred foot deep test holes. Whether you are for or against the reopening of these mines, this will definitely be one "hot" story to follow.

Code of Conduct Coming to Schools

To be introduced to Haliburton schools.

Maureen Moore

Staff Reporter

Whether you are the parent of a school-aged child or an "empty nest" taxpayer, public education is one of the most important issues in Haliburton County. Striking a balance between quality education and tax dollars well spent is the responsibility of the Trillium Lakelands District School Board.

The Trillium Lakelands District School Board, or TLDSB, was formed in 1998 when a number of smaller boards including the Haliburton County Board of Education were amalgamated. The present board serves 19,000 students in an area of 11,500 square kilometres stretching from Lindsay to Huntsville. While many parents feel that they are too far removed to become involved in the School Board, board officials insist that the issues raised are every bit as important today as they were in the days when education was the responsibility of the county.

TLDSB superintendent Dale Robinson remembers the days when bi-weekly school board meetings were crowded, noisy events. "Sometimes the room would be packed", recalls Robinson. Those meetings were a far cry from those of today. Meetings are now held by video conference, a high tech technique used to link up participants in different locations in which proceedings are simultaneously shown on wide screen TVs. Meetings are chaired from different locations and include a public question and comment period. At the January 15 School Board meeting, superintendent Robinson was the only participant at the Haliburton location.

The most important item on the agenda was the Board's new Code of Conduct which dictates how discipline, including bullying, suspensions and expulsions, is handled. Prior to the 1990s, when a student had a discipline problem, the principal would try to speak with the student and parents. "We could usually work something out", says superintendent Robinson. Suspensions were kept to a minimum and given out only as a last resort; however, in the early 1990s a policy of "zero tolerance" was adopted by the Ministry of Education. Suspensions were mandatory for a wide range of discipline problems including fighting, harassment and improper use of computers.

Educators found that this system was too harsh and targeted certain groups of students. As a result, Ministry of Education Bill 212 will come into effect on February 1 of this year. Before February 1, each school board in the province is responsible for writing a Code of Conduct to reflect the new policies. Under the new Code of Conduct, suspensions and expulsions are also handled differently: now a committee of trustees will decide on whether or not

a suspension is given and parents will have the right to appeal this decision.

On February 12, at 6:30, a meeting of the Whole Committee of the Board of Education will be chaired at Archie Stouffer Public School in Minden. The public is welcome to attend. This is one of only two Board of Education meetings to be held in Haliburton County in 2008 and it is a great opportunity for anyone with concerns about the education system to be heard.

School Superintendent Dale Robinson has come to represent fairness and dedication to learning to two generations of Haliburton children. Originally from Kemptville, Ontario, Robinson arrived in Haliburton County as a young teacher in 1969. He taught at elementary schools and at HHSS until becoming superintendent 20 years ago. Robinson has seen many changes in the education system but has never lost his love of learning. "I've been lucky: I love my job", says Robinson.

Robinson has worked with hundreds of families and he believes that children deserve the support of their parents. "People should advocate for their kids", advises Robinson. If a child comes home from with a suspension, Robinson suggests that parents, "make sure they have the facts and keep an open mind". If parents are not happy with a decision made by the school, they should first speak to the school principal, or to superintendent Robinson directly.



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But Not Forgotten

Dr. Rudolf Peter Regehr Stephen Patrick
Editor

Dr. Rudy Regehr died at his home in Haliburton County this past January 6th. He was 63 years old and had suffered the ravages of ALS since 2004. As the disease progressed he could no longer work, and so in 2006 he and his wife Mary moved to Haliburton to be near their daughters, Natasha Regehr of Peterborough, and Charmaine Bretzlaff and her family here in Haliburton. On Friday, January 11th a Celebration of his life was held at the Lakeside Baptist Church, with Pastor Brian Plouffe officiating.

What unfolded at Lakeside Baptist that Friday afternoon was indeed a celebration -- of music, of love, of family, of the Mennonite Brethren and Baptist faiths, and of an extraordinarily rich and varied life. For those of us who attended the service out of friendship and support for his family, but who had little or no direct connection with Dr. Regehr, the music and the eulogies provided a sharp and vivid picture of his many-layered life and faith.

Rudy Regehr was born to a devout Mennonite Brethren family in Coaldale Alberta in 1944. Music, faith, a love of nature, and hard work defined his upbringing with his devoted parents and his siblings, three brothers and a sister. His eldest brother, Ted, remembered in his eulogy the intense Christian faith Rudy showed at a remarkably young age, "accepting Christ as his Saviour as a child and insisting upon Baptism at age 12".

The Regehr home was also filled with music. As a musical tribute, Rudy's three brothers, Ted, John, and David along with brother-in-law John Hildebrand and accompanied by sister-in-law Hildie Regehr, filled the church with startlingly beautiful harmonies. First, in the original German, they sang a traditional Mennonite song celebrating the long and painful journey out of Russia to settlement in Canada. Regehr's brother Ted commented that "this song was particularly significant for the Mennonites during the war and upheaval in the 1920s when many villages were destroyed and lives lost: this turmoil prompted many Mennonites, including our parents and grandparents, to emigrate to Canada in 1926. This song

was a meaningful source of comfort for our people during this time. The first verse is "When I'm lonely and defenceless/my heart longs for rest and peace. Then you spread your wings of caring/with your love you cover me."

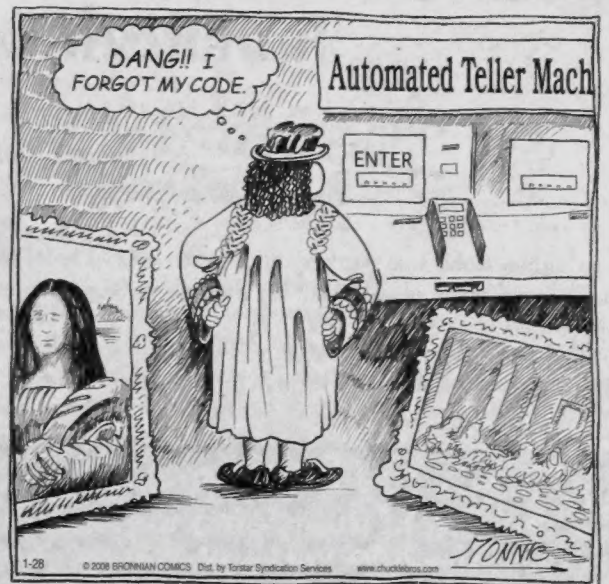
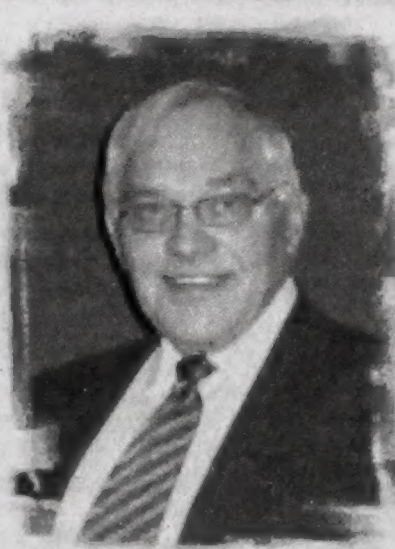
Next they sang "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go", with great energy and passion. The congregation seemed to be transported back in time to Dr. Regehr's childhood and in that moment you could almost feel his presence right there at Lakeside Baptist.

Rudy Regehr graduated from the University of Alberta Medical School in 1968. He practiced medicine in various locations in Alberta and British Columbia, eventually specializing in Addiction Medicine, a very new and controversial field.

Dr. Regehr moved to Elliot Lake with his family in 1981, where for over 20 years he was the Medical Consultant for the Oaks Treatment Centre. The Centre quickly became a famous place in the world of addiction medicine. Former Detox director Art McCord eulogized his dear friend and colleague as a "true pioneer in the field. He helped literally thousands of patients over the years -- the lives he touched, the families he put back together, his kindness and dedication were second to none." He was also one of the first certified members of the Canadian Association of Addiction Medicine. At the service some of his former colleagues and patients from Elliot Lake proudly stood in tribute to his profound affect on their lives.

Family, faith, music and nature were the cornerstones of Dr. Regehr's life. He loved to capture nature's majesty through photography: he and his wife Mary became world travelers, always delighting in new and challenging experiences, including deep sea fishing and, if you can believe it, skydiving and parasailing. But his favourite place in the whole world was Waterton Park, Alberta, where he had first experienced the wonders of nature as a child.

Dr. Rudy Regehr cast a long shadow in a life cut tragically short by the scourge of ALS. At the Celebration, his devoted family, including his son-in-law Pastor David Bretzlaff and grandchildren Nathan and Jocelyn, added their heart-felt tributes to a life well and truly lived, a life of service and devotion. Finally the congregation stood and watched a montage of Dr. Regehr's photographs accompanied by his personal musical choice, the Fifth Movement of Mahler's Resurrection Symphony. Requiescat in Pace.



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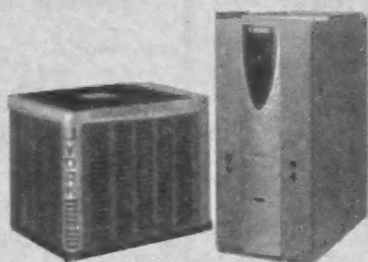
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Jamaican Dogsled Team Arrives in Haliburton

Terrance Gavan

Sports Editor

Damion Robb was working as a gardener at a hotel in Jamaica when he heard about an interesting employment opportunity. The job?

Musher for Chukka Caribbean Adventures.

According to Robb, a very personable young man with a ready smile, the position sounded like a perfect fit.

"We knew they (Chukka Caribbean Adventures) were doing something different with dogs, and I've been an animal lover all of my life, so I applied and I'm very happy that I did," smiles Robb.

Entrepreneur Danny Melville, the godfather of dogsled soul, and founder of Chukka Adventures was so pleased with Robb's progress that he decided, along with sponsor Jimmy Buffett, to place Robb and another young musher onto the world stage.

The affable Melville runs his Jamaican Dogsled Tours in Ocho Rios with dogs gleaned from the Jamaican Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (JSPCA). They are taught to run in harness and pull tourists to scenic locales. One stop includes the spot where Dustin Hoffman and Steve McQueen planned their escape in the movie *Papillon*.

The dogs are provided with love, pats and care. According to

Robb, who grew up with dogs as a youngster, it's this part of his life that he loves most.

"From March to October we take care of our Jamaican dogs and take guests on the tour," says Robb. From October to mid-February Robb is on the North American sprint tour with Husky-cross sled dogs.

"I like both parts of this life," adds Robb. "Back home we get to bring dogs in to our compound that would otherwise be put down... some of them have been mistreated and they are all very happy to arrive with us... it takes work, but the dogs seem to know that they have been given that second chance. It's very rewarding to be able to work with them."

"Robb came to us and we knew right away that he had a gift," smiles Melville, who says that when he first approached his family with the idea of forming a Jamaican Dogsled Team they all laughed.

"We were having drinks one day at a bar and I brought it up," says Melville laughing as he recalls the hilarity that ensued.

"My son thought I was crazy."

But then again, they laughed at his idea for a Bob Marley Memorial Bus Tour replete with vintage British Leyland buses equipped with state-of-the-art sound along with drop down DVD screens. Each of his two buses crank 1500 watts from 6 woofers and 8 sub-woofers.

But they only laughed until the tourists started to line up for the three-hour pilgrimage to Marley's home. You know the drill. Like that baseball field in Iowa... build it and they will come. And come they do from all nooks and crannies of the world to pay their respects and rock to the DJ's sweet reggae riffs as the bus winds upward to Marley's home on a hill.

The Marley Memorial Tour has since moved to the forefront of his Chukka Adventures, which include dune buggy, horseback, forest canopy and now dogsled tours as part of its all-encompassing packages in several Jamaican and Bahamas locations.

And now, the Jamaican Dogsled Team has all but eclipsed most of Melville's wildest expectations. And the laughing stopped when the smiles began.

"Look, we have Robb now running in the pro sprint tour and we have another musher, Newton (Marshall) who is right now up in the Yukon preparing and training to enter the 2009 Yukon Quest which is the toughest sled dog endurance race in the world," says Melville.

Robb is traveling with mentor, coach and teammate Ken Davis, a Minnesotan who has nothing but praise for Robb. "Look, this is all about the relationship between man and dog," says Davis. "And we knew from the moment Robb arrived that the dogs will run for him. The dogs know. It's hard to fool a dog."

Robb runs in the four-dog open class, but the Davis entourage includes a caravan of up to 16 dogs and the traveling expenditure is daunting.

Up north, Newton Marshall is another young Jamaican musher who is training under the watchful eye of three-time Yukon Quest champ, Hans Gatt.

Melville adds that none of this training, with incumbent travel, lodging and racing expenditures, comes cheap.

"None of this would be possible without Jimmy Buffett," adds Melville.

"All of this we could not do without Jimmy... this is all thanks to Jimmy Buffett," says Melville. "He has a good spirit and he has thrown his support behind us in every thing we're doing."

Melville says that Buffett and he first got together in Jamaica while Buffett was investigating another business

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Damion Robb Races for Future of Jamaican Sledding

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opportunity in conjunction with his Margaritaville business empire.

"Jimmy is a guy who gets it," smiles Melville. "He saw what we were doing with the dogs and he wanted in. He has an interest and he also saw that we could provide young men like Robb and Newton with an opportunity."

Melville says that Newton came to them from humble circumstance.

"When he came to us he could not read or write, but we hired him, taught him to read and now he's training under Hans Gatt in the Yukon, for the toughest sled dog challenge in the world," says Melville.

"We must remember that Jimmy draws the cheque on all of this, because, again, he gets it."

Melville says that Buffett is quite aware of the economic challenges facing Jamaica as a whole and adds that he has a very personal link to the island.

"Few people know that Jimmy is a big fan of Bob Marley and this forms part of his tie to the island," says Melville, who adds that Buffett has a son named Marley named for Jamaica's reggae legend.

"Jimmy once said to me, 'Danny at my age... if it's not fun, I don't do it.'"

Melville adds that Buffett is very busy handling his own burgeoning Margaritaville Restaurant chain, but that he's never too busy to call or crank out a message on the Blackberry.

"He likes to keep up with our progress and he asks us for results after all of our races," says Melville.

For his part, Robb is doing very well for a novice musher. In the dryland circuit (on wheeled sleds) last fall, Robb snagged finishes of second, third and first in three separate pro events. Of course Robb is used to running on wheels and gets a lot of practice on sled buggies during his summer tours with Chukka Adventures.

In the winter races, Robb is finishing with respectable results in the middle of the pack. He placed 11th out of 19 riders on both Saturday and Sunday in the Four Dog sprint class at the 7th Annual Haliburton Highlands Derby.

Coach Davis says it's all about baby steps and he's not rushing Robb into other classes just yet. "He's young and racing on snow is very different from racing on wheels. It takes a few years. But I am very happy with Robb's progress."

"We have happy dogs and that's more important to me than winning races," adds Davis. "The dogs are happy and that's because they're happy with Robb and that says a lot about this young man."

And of course for Melville this is an important facet of the overall strategy.

"We don't want to change this sport," says Melville in the movie Sun Dogs. "We want to Jamaicanize this sport."

Melville adds that the success of the movie Sun Dogs has opened a veritable plethora of other opportunities.

"This is all about growth and cross-promotion and that's a win-win for all involved," says Melville. And without a doubt, the Jamaican infusion does apply an attendance bump and added interest to a dogsled event.

Interviews on CBC radio, numerous national and local paper stories, the Sun Dogs

documentary and a boffo crank on CBC's Rick Mercer Report have

all contributed to Melville's dream to bring recognition to Jamaica.

Melville has ties to Canada. His mother and father emigrated to Canada from Jamaica in 1974. His father has since passed on, but his 93-year-old mother still resides in Vancouver.

As part of his forays into the Yukon, Melville is now looking into opening up a Chukka Adventures North and is looking at buying property in Whitehorse.

"I love the Yukon and Whitehorse is becoming a very big tourist destination, which I think would surprise even some Canadians," says Melville.

And Melville says with a wink that another Canadian Film interest is currently working on a second documentary about the Jamaican Sled Dog Team. This movie will focus on a television release on one of the independent channels.

And down the road?

How about a Pixar or Disney animated feature film, featuring the adopted sled dogs from Jamaica.

"That's a dream, and it's a lot of money, but I definitely want to pursue it," says

Melville, the wink implied as the Jamaican lilt drifts open on the breeze of the moment.

"Disney maybe... I see a feel good movie, with some social commentary... a can-do movie aimed at the children," smiles Melville.

"Look, we don't hide the fact that we have our share of problems in Jamaica," adds Melville.

"This movie would be wholesome and kid-centered but with a message that we can make a difference and we can change our circumstance."

From Danny's mouth to God's ears.

And just possibly... musical score by Jimmy Buffett?

"We'll see," laughs Melville.



Chukka Adventures Founder Danny Melville



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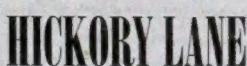
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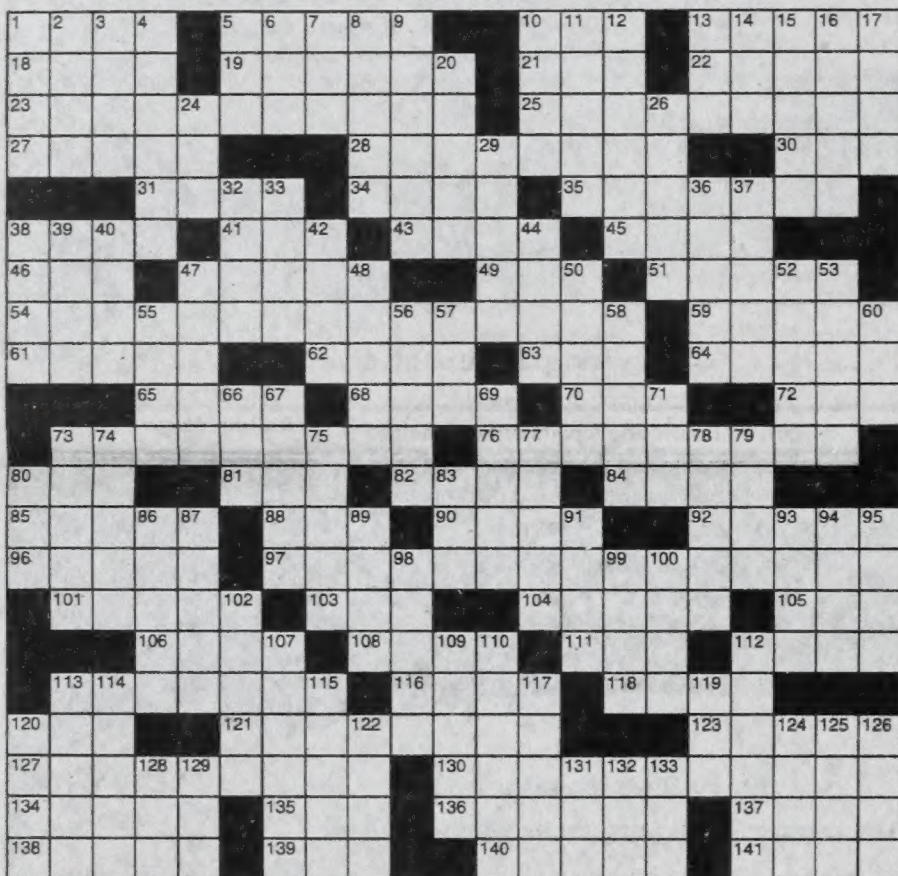
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Upcoming Events

Rescheduled Benefit Concert for Highlands Opera Studio
Due to unforeseen circumstances, the February 2 benefit concert for the Highlands Opera Studio featuring Richard Margison and other performers from the Canadian Opera Community has been rescheduled. Plans for a similar event later this year are in the preliminary stages. When the details are confirmed an announcement will be made.

Feb 1-2 Rails End Gallery
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Feb 2-3 and every weekend to Mar 1-2 Ice Racing at the Minden Fairgrounds
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Feb 2, 12 noon Minden & District Horticultural Society Annual Potluck Luncheon
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Feb 2, 8pm Old Country House
Grand Opening of the Mirror Lounge and Art Fundraiser for Cottage Dreams

Feb 3, 2pm Razzamataz Kids Show with The Stylamanders
at Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School
Tickets \$8 for adults, \$6 for children, children under two years old free

Feb 5, 11:30am - 1:30 pm
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Luncheon, St. Margaret's Church, Wilberforce
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Feb 5, 12, 19, 26, 7:30pm
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Feb 7 - 7:30-9:30pm
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Feb 9, 9am Youth Saturday Art Club, Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Minden
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Feb 9, Tournament of Hearts Ladies Curling Bonspiel, Haliburton Curling Club

Feb 9, Tall Pines Poker Rally & Valentine's Dance, Dorset.
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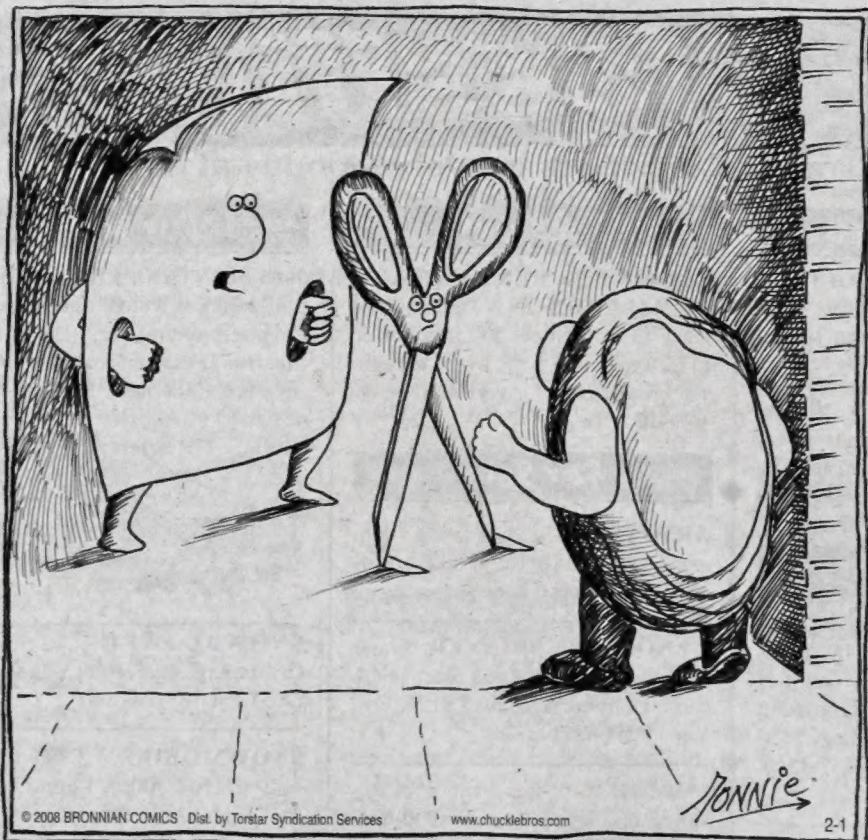
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might feel bolder as each new success falls into place. But caution is still advised through the end of the week. Until then, a step-by-step approach is best.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) That cooperation you request could come at too high a price. Since few can beat the Bovine at being clever and resourceful, why not see what you can do on your own?

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Aspects favor a quieter time spent getting closer to the people who are especially important to you. There's always much more to learn and appreciate about each other.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The concerned Crab will act to resolve workplace misunderstandings before they get out of hand and cause more-serious problems. Co-workers rally to support your efforts.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) What the Big Cat might see as a disturbing act of disloyalty might just be a failure of communication

on both sides. Take time for mediation rather than confrontation.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Be more patient with those who seem unwilling to accept your version of what's right. The fact is, there's a lot more to learn on all sides of this issue.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) It should be easier to assess the facts you'll need to make an important decision. But don't commit if you still have doubts. There could be more you need to know.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your excitement level remains high as you continue working on that new project. Expect some setbacks. But on the whole, all will move pretty much on schedule.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) It might be wise to be more prudent with expenses right now. But your financial situation should soon clear up, and you could be back shopping, happily as ever.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might prefer sticking with your current schedule. But some newly emerging information could persuade you to consider a change. Keep an open mind.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You might want to reject a suggested change. But it could be wise to go with the flow, at least for a while. You can always return to your first plan if you like.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're bolstered by both the practical and poetic sides of your nature as you maneuver through some unsettled emotional situations. Things ease up by week's end.

BORN THIS WEEK: People reach out to your generosity and wisdom, and consider you a treasured and trusted friend.

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Workshop Revival

By Samantha Mazzotta

Winter has settled in across the country, bringing do-it-yourselfers inside to handle smaller tasks or just leave all the projects alone until spring. So, what to do during this long, quiet lull between battening down the hatches and opening them up again? Prepare for the next home-improvement season, of course.

This is a great time to head to the garage, basement or attic and look over your workshop area. What needs to be cleaned up? What tools need to be out and ready for the spring thaw? What can you do to get one step closer to your dream workshop? Take out a notepad and pencil, and start writing down ideas.

Take an inventory of everything in the shop, from the largest power tool to the smallest nail. Then, make a list of steps needed to clean and organize the area. Here's how I get my workshop in shape for the new year.

The first step should be a sort-and-toss session. Gather everything and sort it by general types: fasteners, like nuts and bolts and nails, go in one pile; hand tools are stacked in another; power tools are gathered at one corner of the room; and so on. Once the items are classified, go through each pile and discard old, unused or broken items. If your larger tools are unused but still work -- or can be repaired -- donate them to a charity that accepts these items.

Now, take a look at your worktable and shop area. Does the current configuration work for you? Is there enough storage for all the items in your inventory? What would you most like to change about it? Shift things around and add storage boxes, shelves or drawers as needed. If you don't have a good-sized sheet of pegboard above or near your worktable, purchase one -- it's a great storage area for hand tools and small boxes.

As you place each tool in its storage space, clean it thoroughly to remove rust and debris. Coat the metal parts with an all-purpose oil, and rub a small amount of linseed oil onto wooden handles to protect them from damp, cold air and fluctuations in temperature.

Finally, decide what your first project will be this year -- whether it's yard work, outside repairs or new shelves -- and prepare the worktable and the necessary tools for it. When the weather finally warms up and the home-improvement bug hits you, you'll be ready to start hammering away as soon as possible.

home tip

HOME TIP

Now is the best time of the year to cut firewood. It's easier to cut in the cold weather, and by next fall the wood will be seasoned and ready for the fireplace.. (c) 2008 King Features Synd., Inc.

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- 1. GEOGRAPHY:** Where are the Orkney Islands located?
- 2. MUSIC:** To which rock group did singer Freddie Mercury belong?
- 3. TELEVISION:** Who played Uncle Joe on TV's "Petticoat Junction"?
- 4. CARTOONS:** Which animated superhero's theme song contains the lyrics, "Speed of lightning, roar of thunder, Fighting all who rob or plunder"?
- 5. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the currency of Brazil?
- 6. ENTERTAINERS:** Which actor/director was born with the name "Melvin Kaminsky"?
- 7. MOVIES:** Where was Alfred Hitchcock's movie "The Birds" set?
- 8. LITERATURE:** Who wrote the book of poems, titled "Songs from the Portuguese"?
- 9. FOOD & DRINK:** What is ghee?

Answers

1. North of Scotland
2. Queen
3. Edgar Buchanan
4. "Underdog"
5. The real
6. Mel Brooks
7. Bodega Bay, Calif.
8. Elizabeth Barrett Browning
9. Clarified butter

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Events

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YOUTH SATURDAY ART CLUBS – at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, 176 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden – Feb 9, Mar 15, Apr 12, May 10 and June 14 from 9am to 2pm. Pre-registration required one week before each workshop by calling the gallery at 286-3763. A combination of art history and art creation from drawing to painting and sculpting, this is an opportunity for youths to learn more about art and further develop their skills. \$30 per youth per workshop. Supplies included. Feb d/08

For a great turn out post your events here.
457-5001

Events

THE MINDEN & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY - will start the 2008 season with our Annual Potluck Luncheon on Feb 2nd, 12 noon at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Minden. The guest speaker will be Glenda McKenzie talking about "low maintenance gardening". Please bring your own place setting of dishes and cutlery along with your favourite dish. For more information call Jessie at 286-4141 or Nancy at 286-2886. We are also planning a BUS TRIP to the International Home & Garden Show and Success with Gardening on March 6, 2008. The two shows are running together. If you are interested in attending or need more information please call Pam at 286-5136. We will have more details at the luncheon. Feb d/08

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Help Wanted

HELP WANTED – Looking for person(s) with experience in Masonry and Carpentry. Must have valid driver's licence. Please contact Barry Miscio Contracting at 754-4603. Feb d/08

Help Wanted

OFFICE ASSISTANT REQUIRED – Flexible part-time. Applicant must have good communication skills, strong math skills and be able to enter data into computer accurately and efficiently. Must be reliable. Knowledge of Haliburton Highlands an asset. Please submit resume to John E. Francis Fuels, 11495 Hwy 35, RR#3, Minden, ON K0M 2K0. Feb d/08

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You can also email it to us at class@countyvoice.ca. Any questions call 457-5001.

Cutoff date is Thursday Feb 7th

Super Crossword Answers

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Congratulations Max!



Maxwell Joseph Creelman graduated with Honours from Algonquin College in Pre-Service Firefighter Training in October 2007. He was invited to train with the City of Calgary Fire Department and graduated on December 14, 2007. Max is now working for the City of Calgary at Fire Station 14. Anne and Kirk, along with sisters Siobhan and Sophie, are extremely proud of the fine young man Max is and of all that he has accomplished. Although he is far away, he has a very big place in all of our hearts. Congratulations Max, well done!



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Eagle Lake - \$649,000



Newly constructed cottage/home main floor master, vaulted ceilings, open concept, covered porch. Full finished basement with walkout, double car garage.

Drew Bishop 457-2128

Affordable Waterfront! \$99,000



370 feet of waterfront and over 1 acre of well treed land on a very private and quiet lake. Small cabin included!

Paul Szpik 457-2128

Cute and Convenient - \$105,000



Beautifully renovated 'in town' Minden home ready for immediate possession. Close to everything! Great opportunity to own rather than rent.

Tom Ecclestone 286-2138

Hawk Lake Rd Lot - \$29,000



Treed lot on municipal road close to Halls Lake public beach and snowmobile trails. Southern exposure, cleared building location, septic use permit, hydro at lot, and driveway in.

Tom Wilkinson 286-2138

Dramatic Design \$525,000



Contemporary, maintenance free, sleeps 10, dbl garage, level lot, sand beach, close to ski hill.

Hank Bertrand 457-2128

Three Lake Chain - \$469,000



3Bdrm on Little Boshkung with rec room, bar, workshop & attached garage. Beautiful flat lot with sun all day and amazing lake views.

Lee Gauthier 489-9968

Willow Beach Cottages \$1,875,000



Well established year round housekeeping cottage resort on Kashagawigamog. Excellent financials, repeat clientele, fabulous owner/operator business!

Derrell and Kim Stamp 457-2128

Charming Starter - \$119,000



In town home, lg eat in kitchen, dining room & 2 main floor bdrms. Turn the loft into a grand master & add your own TLC. Sep. garage & private back deck.

Dagmar Boettcher 286-2138

It's All About Location!!



Two, one acre wooded lots, frontage on municipal road, close to Minden and hwy 35. Residential or industrial use. \$32,500 each

Kristin Withey 286-2138

Minden Commercial Building



Renovated 2 storey office building. 8 separate offices. Ideal for professional or retail business. Close to all town services. High traffic area.

Andrew Hodgson - 286-2128

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